PATENT APPLICATION

# <u>IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</u>

In re application of

Satoshi SHINADA, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/437,246

Confirmation No.: Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit: 2861

Filed: November 10, 1999

Examiner: NGHIEM, M.

For: INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS AND INK CARTRIDGE

# AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE DRAWINGS.

Please see the enclosed Proposed Drawing Correction.

### IN THE CLAIMS:

This set of claims is a clean set of pending claims 1-49, consolidating any previous versions of pending claims into this single clean version, with changes made in this response being shown in the Appendix.

1. (Amended) An ink cartridge for a printing apparatus providing ink to a print head through a tapered ink supply needle and removably attached to the print head, comprising:

an ink chamber for containing ink;

an ink supply port for supplying ink from said ink chamber to the print head of the printing apparatus, said ink supply port comprising an external opening;

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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

For:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For						
All Claims	101	-	95 =	6	X	\$18.00	=	\$108.00	
Independent	13	-	13 =		x	\$80.00	=	\$.00	
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A check for the statutory fee of \$108.00 is attached. Please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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